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INTERIM OPERATOR APPOINTED TO RUN ROGUE CREEK WATER AND SEWER SYSTEMS

JEFFERSON CITY—The Missouri Public Service Commission has approved an agreement which appoints Joe Coleman as interim receiver of the Rogue Creek Utilities, Inc. (Rogue Creek) water and sewer systems. As interim receiver, Coleman will be in charge of the day-to-day operations of the utility beginning on July 20, 2007.

The Commission has also authorized its General Counsel to petition Cole County Circuit Court for the appointment of Coleman as receiver to take charge of the water and sewer systems located in Washington County near Potosi, Missouri.

The agreement approved by the Commission was filed by the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission, the Office of the Public Counsel, Joe and Rita Coleman and William J. Rummel. The agreement was reached as a result of negotiations conducted after the PSC Staff filed a complaint against the utility company on March 21, 2007.

The agreement states that Rogue Creek will soon be unwilling or unable to provide safe and adequate service due to the health of its sole owner and director William J. Rummel. In addition, the agreement notes that appointment of a receiver is necessary and that control and responsibility for the company should not be returned to Mr. Rummel, but that Rogue Creek should be liquidated in the manner provided by law.

"The Commission has reviewed the stipulation and agreement, finds it to be a lawful and reasonable resolution of the issues, and will approve it," the Commission said.

Rogue Creek Utilities, Inc. serves approximately 114 water customers and 100 sewer customers near Potosi, Missouri.